WASHINGTON STATE CENTER FOR CHILDHOOD DEAFNESS & HEARING LOSS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING March 1, 2013

Board Members:

Allie Joiner (District #2)
Val Ogden (District #3)
Nita Kamphuis (District #4)
Char Parsley (District #5)
Rita Reandeau (District #6)
Larry Swift (District #10)

Absent:

Ariele Belo (District #7)

Sidney Weldele-Wallace (District #8)

Director:

Rick Hauan

Superintendent: Legal Counsel:

Jane Mulholland Bonnie Terada

Recorder:

Judy Smith,

Interpreters:

Julie Moore, Don Coates

Guests:

Jessica Sydnor, Business Services Manager

Kris Ching, Outreach Director (Birth – 5)

The meeting was called to order by Nita Kamphuis, chair, at 10:45 a.m. It was determined a quorum was present.

WSBC/WSCC (Western States Basketball Classic/Western States Cheerleading Classic)

Coaches Jason Cox and Ron Spratlen, along with members of the boys and girls basketball teams and cheerleading squad, introduced themselves to the Board. The WSBC/WSCC tournament was held January 30 – February 3, at the Phoenix Day School for the Deaf.

The boys and girls basketball teams received the Sportsmanship Award. The boys team won 6th place and the girls team won 4th place. Daniela Chavez (senior) was given the Most Outstanding Player award. Congratulations to all!

Academic Bowl

The Academic Bowl was held on the WSD campus President's Day weekend. WSD was represented by Trevor Dockter (junior), LaSinda Rivas (sophomore), Randall Smith (freshman), and Jonah Winninghoff (senior).

WSD's Academic Bowl team challenged the Board of Trustees to several rounds of questions. A short video of the highlights of the Academic Bowl was shared with Board members.

Thanks to Tyler DeShaw and Gallaudet University for the outstanding job they did coordinating this event. Thanks also to Nathan Boyes and John Thuahnai for their assistance and to the many volunteers who helped to make this year's Academic Bowl a huge success.

Hands waving to all for the great job representing WSD at this event!

Minutes – February 8, 2013, meeting

Char Parsley moved to approve the February 8, 2013, meeting minutes with the changes noted above. Allie Joiner seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

The auditorium construction tour moved to after lunch

Reports

Finance Report (Larry Swift, Board member)

Thanks to Jessica and her staff for keeping an eye on budget information. The transition from SACS (Small Agency Client Services) is still scheduled for July 1st.

The Board would like a clearer understanding of how outreach activities are funded, especially how activities on-campus and throughout the state affect each other.

In order to fund much needed programs on and off campus, a request for supplemental monies will be submitted next year to the legislature.

The fund created with the passage of SHB 2757 allowing CDHL to set up a separate account for contracts, out-of-state tuition, donations, and other incomes, is now referred to as "19H funds." Plans for this fund will be discussed at the June Board meeting.

Rick Hauan, Director

The Director highlighted his travels during the month of February:

- Presentation at Hands & Voices Conference, held in Denver, Colorado. The
 topic of this conference was "Conflict and Collaboration in Deaf Education."
 There is a nationwide effort to ensure deaf and hard of hearing children receive
 the best education possible and access to services nationwide. The group was
 excited to hear what is being done in Washington.
- Presentation at Seattle Children's Hospital on the Child First campaign and how to provide for the needs of children throughout the state.
- Meeting with Kelly Wicker, Governor Inslee's Executive Director of Internal Relations.
- Attended both Special Education Directors meetings at ESD 123/Pasco and ESD 101/Spokane.

 Met with Oberkotter Foundation's Director of Family Engagement, along with several members of the Statewide Outreach Team, and staff from Listen & Talk. The Foundation Director was in Washington to gather information on how our collaborative partnerships work and what successes/challenges we have had.

Jane Mulholland, Superintendent

- Artist in Residence project: This May we will have Guy Wonder (WSD Class 1966) as an Artist in Residence to work with students to create art for the newly renovated auditorium lobby. Guy's first visit will be during the week of March 5th meet with the planning team, visit classes, chat with student, and work with us to design this project. The planning committee includes Jane Mulholland, Billy Miles, Lyra Behnke, Cathy Bennett, April McArthur, Carey Price, and Curtis Peart (WSDAA Historian.)
- Interviewing four candidates via video phone on March 4th for the secondary Principal's position. The second round of interviews will be on March 18th and a "meet and greet" will be held in McGill Library that evening. The new principal will start August 1st.

Jessica Sydnor, Business/Human Resources

- Recruiting for a Teacher Assistant to fill a vacancy.
- Filling Student Life Counselor positions due to an increased number of students.
- Due to the extra workload with the transition from SACS (Small Agency Client Services) an additional fiscal analyst will be hired.
- Working on allotments for next year. Will be meeting with departments to see what is needed.

Kris Ching, Outreach Director (Birth - 5)

- Presenting to the Family Resource Coordinators in Spokane with Amy Hardie, Teacher of the Deaf from Hope School. Amy is also a member of our Statewide Outreach Team.
- New Statewide Outreach Team members are Jennifer Olson, Audiologist from Spokane and Judy Cushman, School Psychologist from Pasco.
- Kris Ching and Kerianne Christie (Early Intervention Specialist) are working closely together with several agencies throughout Washington to create systems to assist families with children birth-5 who have been diagnosed as deaf or hard of hearing.
- Working with Kerianne Christie on an EHDI (Early Hearing Detection and Intervention) Developmental Outcomes Study grant. The purpose of this grant is to collect and analyze developmental outcomes (including expressive and receptive language) for infants and children who are deaf or hard of hearing enrolled in early intervention services from multiple jurisdictions. The budget award for this grant is \$200,000 a year for three years.

Executive Session

The Board went into Executive Session at 2:30 p.m. for 30 minutes pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) "To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or

to review the performance of a public employee...." The meeting reopened at 3:00 p.m. and closed for an additional 10 minutes. The meeting reopened at 3:10 p.m. and closed again for an additional two minutes. The meeting reopened at 3:12 p.m.

Possible agenda items for the July retreat

- Set up a Board calendar for next school year; including topics for each meeting
- Discuss Board procedures and responsibilities
- Assess Board performance

Next meeting - April 19th at WSD

Adjournment

Seeing no objections the meeting was adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Nita Kamphuis, Chair CDHL Board of Trustees

Date

Rick Hauan, Director

CDHL

Date